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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 218

NOTE PREPARED: Apr 15, 2009

BILL AMENDED: Apr 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Billing and Claims for Anatomic Pathology Services.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Miller

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. C. Brown

BILL STATUS: As Passed House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires a health care provider or clinical laboratory that sends a patient sample for anatomic pathology services to a referral laboratory to disclose to the patient if the health care provider or clinical laboratory has a financial interest in the referral laboratory.

The bill provides that an "eligible institution", for purposes of the anatomical education program, must be an educational institution located in the United States. (Current law requires the institution be located in Indiana.)

The bill also specifies requirements for claim payments to out of network health care providers.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill would require a health care provider or a clinical laboratory to disclose to a patient any financial interest the health care provider or clinical laboratory may have in a referral laboratory to which a patient's samples may be sent. The notice is required to be in writing, signed by the patient, and is required to be maintained in the patient's records.

The bill would also allow an anatomical education program to provide cadavers acquired in the state to colleges, universities, or other educational institutions located in the U.S. that operate certain accredited health education programs. Current law requires that cadavers may only be provided to qualified in-state educational institutions.

(Revised) Specifying requirements for claim payments to out-of-network health care providers could increase

administrative expenses for the Department of Insurance (DOI) to the extent that the DOI modifies rules, guidelines, or publications to incorporate the new requirements. The DOI is funded by dedicated funds.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DOI.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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